

REMARKS

The captioned application is a continuation application. All of the claims which were part of the ancestor application as filed have been cancelled without prejudice because those are not the claims being pursued in the captioned continuation application. None of the claims has been cancelled for reasons of patentability.

New claims 22 through 46 substantially have been copied from U.S. Patent No. 6,239,744 (issued on 29 May 2001 naming Singer and Drach as inventors), for the purpose of provoking an interference as described in the accompanying Request for an Interference with a Patent and between Applications. It is respectfully submitted that these claims are in condition for an examination on the merits.

A check is enclosed to pay the fee required for the claims submitted. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee which may be required for the captioned application under 37 C.F.R. 1.16-1.18, including but not limited to the issue fee, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-0920. Should no proper amount be enclosed, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 23-0920. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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